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Re: Patent Term Extension

Application for

U.S. Patent No. 4,818,816

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION FOR PATENT TERM EXTENSION

This is in response to the "Express Withdrawal of Application for Extension of Patent Term," filed January 2, 2003 (duplicate copy received by facsimile on January 14, 2003).

The withdrawal of the application is hereby acknowledged and the application is dismissed.

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